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## **GREGG ANNOUNCES \$52,000 IN FEDERAL FUNDING TO NORTH COUNTRY COUNCIL**

WASHINGTON -- U.S. Senator Judd Gregg (R-NH) today announced that the U.S. Economic Development Administration has awarded a \$52,000 federal grant to North Country Council, Inc., an organization committed to economic development and regional planning in Northern New Hampshire. The Council, which will use the funding to further its goal of providing economic opportunities while preserving the heritage of local communities and the North Country, is a resource for the entire region to promote various forms of economic activity. Senator Gregg is the Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee that oversees funding for the Department of Commerce and the EDA.

Senator Gregg stated, "The North Country Council serves as a significant economic catalyst in Northern New Hampshire, and this important funding will allow them to continue to assist the residents, businesses and communities in starting, stabilizing, or expanding economic enterprises. The Council also recognizes the importance of maintaining the unique and special heritage of the North Country and strives to preserve the history of the region while creating jobs and expanding economic opportunities. I would like to congratulate the Council on the excellent work they have done and continue to do."

Jeffrey R. Hayes, Assistant Director of the North Country Council, stated, "We thank Senator Gregg for his continued support of the North Country Council and our federal economic development district designation through EDA. The \$52,000 economic development planning grant allows us to maintain a comprehensive economic development strategy for the region and apply for economic development project funding. With the Senator's support, EDA funding has provided important sewer, water, and industrial park infrastructure to the region. Over the last year, EDA economic adjustment plan funding has provided \$250,000 to the City of Berlin and the Town of Littleton to save over 1,000 jobs."

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